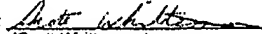


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**SECOND AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO
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Dear Sir:

This Second Amendment is filed in reply to the outstanding Final Office Action, mailed on August 7, 2006, in connection with the above application. A Notice of Appeal was filed on February 7, 2007, and was received by the OIPE on February 9, 2007 based on the OIPE stamp on the return postcard. Applicants filed a response to the Final Office Action on Monday, April 9, 2007. The Examiner issued an Advisory Action on April 25, 2007, informing Applicants that the amendments made in the April 9, 2007 response had not been entered.

Applicants respectfully request a five-month extension of time to file the Brief on Appeal. A Brief is not being filed at this time; instead, Applicants submit this further Response to the Final Office Action and Advisory Action. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

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